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In re Application of	:	
Andrew M. Spencer et al.	:	
Application No. 09/996,720	:	
Filed: November 30, 2001	:	DECISION ON PETITION
Attorney Docket No. 10014185-1	:	PURSUANT TO
Title: METHOD TO STORE AND	:	37 C.F.R. § 1.137(B)
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This is a decision on the petition filed July 14, 2008, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b), to revive the above-identified application.

This petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to submit corrected drawings in a timely manner in reply to the Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due, mailed November 28, 2007, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three months.<sup>1</sup> No extensions of time are permitted for transmitting corrected drawings.<sup>2</sup> Accordingly, the above-identified application became abandoned on February 29, 2008. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on March 25, 2008, subsequent to the filing of this petition.

<sup>1</sup> It is noted that both the issue and publication fees were timely received on December 12, 2007.

<sup>2</sup> See MPEP § 710.02(e).

A grantable petition pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b) must be accompanied by:

- (1) The reply required to the outstanding Office action or notice, unless previously filed;
- (2) The petition fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(m);
- (3) A statement that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to this paragraph was unintentional. The Commissioner may require additional information where there is a question whether the delay was unintentional, and;
- (4) Any terminal disclaimer (and fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d)) required pursuant to paragraph (d) of this section.

With this petition, Petitioner has included the petition fee, corrected drawings, and the proper statement of unintentional delay.

The first three requirements of Rule 1.137(b) have been met. The fourth requirement of Rule 1.137(b) is not applicable, as a terminal disclaimer is not required.

Pursuant to this decision, the Office of Patent Publication will be notified of this decision so that the present application can be processed into a patent.

Petitioner may find it beneficial to view Private PAIR within a fortnight of the present decision to ensure that the revival has been acknowledged by the Office of Patent Publication in response to this decision. It is noted that all inquiries with regard to any failure of that change in status should be directed to the Office of Patent Publication where that change of status must be effected - **the Office of Petitions cannot effectuate a change of status.**

Telephone inquiries regarding *this decision* should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3225.<sup>3</sup> All other inquiries

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<sup>3</sup> Petitioner will note that all practice before the Office should be in writing, and the action of the Office will be based exclusively on the written record in the Office. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.2. As such, Petitioner is reminded that no telephone discussion may be controlling or considered authority for any further action(s) of Petitioner.

concerning the status of the application should be directed to the Office of Patent Publication at 571-272-4200.

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